Lesson Classification: UNCLASSIFIED

Lesson ID: 80348-34728

Title: MEDICAL SUPPLY

Operation/Exercise Name: PROVIDE COMFORT Observed: 28 Jul 1991

Originator: 24 MEU SURGEON

POC: LT BURGESS Commercial: DSN:

5. (U) OBSERVATION:

Humanitarian operations require prioritized and continuous resupply of medical supplies.

6. (U) DISCUSSION:

As one of the first medical units established in Silopi, we provided medical care to many joint services and refugees. This resulted in an early consumption of certain consumable medical supplies which were not obtainable during the early phases. As a result, it became necessary to admit a larger number of patients to the ward for treatment.

7. (U) LESSON LEARNED:

None.

8. (U) RECOMMENDED ACTION:

When planning for consumable supplies for support of this type operation, one should make establishing a resupply system as well as ordering a surplus to ensure initial supply of critical items priorities.

9. (U) COMMENTS:

None.